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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PGOV, CY, TU  
SUBJECT: GREEK CYPRIOTS DEMONSTRATE ON RESETTLEMENT OF VAROSHA

1. ON AUGUST 1, AN UMBRELLA GROUP OF GREEK CYPRIOT ORGANIZATIONS SPONSORED A LARGE RALLY IN THE VILLAGE OF DHERINIA JUST SOUTH OF VAROSHA, TO PROTEST TURKISH CYPRIOT "INTENTIONS TO COLONIZE FAMA-GUSTA." MAIN SPEAKER AT THE RALLY WAS THE MAYOR OF FAMAGUSTA, ANDREAS POUYOUIROS. OTHER SPEAKERS WERE FAMAGUSTA MEMBERS OF THE  
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PAN-CYPRIOT COMMITTEE OF REFUGEES, FIDIAS PARASKEVAIDHIS. THE RALLY WAS CALLED SPECIFICALLY TO PROTEST THE JULY 20 STATEMENT OF TURKISH LEADER ECEVIT AND SUBSEQUENT STATEMENTS BY TURKISH AND TURKISH CYPRIOT AUTHORITIES THAT PLANS ARE BEING MADE TO "COLONIZE" THE CITY. THE RALLY PASSED A RESOLUTION TO THE EFFECT THAT ANY OCCUPATION OF FAMAGUSTA WOULD BE "TANTAMOUNT TO A THIRD INVASION AGAINST THE

PEOPLE OF CYPRUS."

2. ON AUG 2, ORGANIZERS OF THE MEETING PRESENTED COPIES OF THE RESOLUTION TO THE EMBASSIES OF THE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ASKING THEM TO "ACT IN COMMON OR SEPARATELY TO PREVENT THE COLONIZATION OF FAMAGUSTA AND TO TAKE THE APPROPRIATE MEASURES, INCLUDING SANCTIONS, TO FORCE TURKEY TO ABIDE WITH UNGA AND UNSC DECISIONS." IN PRESENTING THE DOCUMENT TO CHARGE, MAYOR POUYOUROS ASKED THAT THE US MADE A STRONG PUBLIC STATEMENT CONDEMNING THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT.

3. THE ORGANIZERS OF THE RALLY CLAIMED THAT ABOUT 30,000 GREEK CYPRIOTS ATTENDED. TURKISH CYPRIOT PRESS SAID THEIR FORCES NEARBY OBSERVED ABOUT 300 PRESENT AT THE RALLY. UNFICYP COUNT OF VEHICLES ENTERING VILLAGE LED THEM TO ESTIMATE OF 10,000 PERSONS AT THE RALLY. RALLY PASSED WITHOUT INCIDENT. THERE HAD BEEN SOME RUMORS THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS MIGHT ATTEMPT TO CROSS THE CEASEFIRE LINES AND WALK INTO FAMAGUSTA. TURKISH MILITARY HAD INDICATED TO UNFICYP THAT TURKISH CYPRIOT POLICE WOULD BE PRESENT TO CONTROL ANY CROWD MOVEMENT, PERSONS ATTEMPTING TO CROSS THE KINE WOULD BE STOPPED AND TURNED OVER TO UN. TURKISH FORCES COMMANDER LTGEN HASAN SAGLAM WAS PRESENT TO GIVE PERSONAL DIRECTION TO ACTIVITIES ON THE TURKISH SIDE OF THE CEASEFIRE LINE.

4. GREEK CYPRIOT MEDIA AUG 2 GAVE IN-DEPTH COVERAGE TO THE  
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RALLY. THERE WAS SOME EDITORIAL COMMENT, BUT IT WAS RELATIVELY CALM FOR A SUBJECT WHICH COULD BE EXPECTED TO BE HEAVILY TINGED WITH EMOTION.  
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